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Legislative Proceedings

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Acts – 1855, Chap. 150 (Act to Divide The Town of Andover, And To Incorporate The Town of North Andover). Approved April 7, 1855.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty
five.

An Act

To divide the Town of Andover, and to incorporate
the Town of North Andover.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Re-
presentatives in General Court assembled, and by
the authority of the same, as follows:—

Sect. 1. All that part of the town of Andover
in the County of Essex, which lies Northerly
and Easterly of the following line, viz; beginning
on the Easterly bank of the Shawshoen
River at a stake at the bend in said river,
a few rods Westerly of the bridge where it is cross-
ed by the Salem Turnpike; thence Southerly on
the line dividing the North and South Parishes
of said Andover to a stake and stones by the

road and near the house of Benjamin Rogers; thence southerly on the said parish line to a stake and stones at the point where the said parish line crosses the Salem road, east of the house of Widow Betsey Jenkins; thence across said Salem road, on said parish line, to the town line of North Reading, - is hereby incorporated into a separate town, by the name of North Andover. And the inhabitants of said town of North Andover are hereby invested with all the powers and privileges, and shall be subject to all the duties and requisitions, to which other towns are entitled and subjected by the constitution and laws of this Commonwealth.

Sect. 2. The inhabitants of said town of North Andover shall be holden to pay all arrears of taxes legally assessed upon them before the passage of this act, and the said town of North Andover shall be

holden to pay its proportion of all State and county taxes which the said town of Andover may be required to pay previous to the taking of the next State valuation, said proportion to be ascertained and determined by the valuation of the town of Andover next preceding the passage of this act.

And the said town of North Andover is hereby authorized and required to assess such proportion of the State and county taxes required to be raised by the town of Andover, determined and ascertained as aforesaid, upon the polls and estates of the inhabitants of said North Andover, and pay the same on demand to the said town of Andover.

Sect. 3. The said town of North Andover shall be holden to pay its proportion of the debts due, and owing by, and of all liabilities existing against, the town of Andover at the time of the passage of this act, and shall be entitled to receive of the town of Andover its

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proportion of all the corporate property now owned by the town of Andover, such proportions to be ascertained and determined by the valuation of the town of Andover next preceding the passage of this act.

Sect. 4. The said towns of Andover and North Andover shall be respectively liable for the support of all persons who now are relieved or may hereafter be relieved as paupers, whose settlement was gained by, or derived from, a residence within their respective limits.

Sect. 5. The Pynchard Free School in Andover shall be free for all youths resident in said town of North Andover in the same manner as if this act had not been passed;

and the inhabitants of the said town of North Andover, shall retain their right to unite with the inhabitants of the town of Andover in the election of trustees of said school; the meetings for this purpose to be held in Andover, & the lists of persons belonging to both of said towns qualified to vote, to be used at such elections. And any rights which the inhabitants of the said town of North Andover have at the time of the passage of this Act in or to any trust funds or the

income thereof now held by any person or corporation for the benefit of the inhabitants of the town of Andover shall remain the same as if this act had not been passed.

Sect. 6. In case the said towns shall disagree in respect to the division of paupers, town property, town debts or State and county taxes the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Essex is hereby authorized to, and shall on application of either town, appoint three disinterested persons as commissioners to hear the parties and award thereon, and their award, or that of any two of them, when accepted by said court, shall be final.

Sect. 7. The said town of Andover in consideration of the various disadvantages arising to North Andover from the division hereby made, shall pay to the said town of North Andover such sum as the Commissioners above provided for shall deter-

mine, in case the said towns shall not be able to agree upon the sum so to be paid.

And the said town of Andover shall within two years from the passage of this act furnish to the said town of North Andover a full and correct copy of all the records kept by the town clerk of the town of Andover now in existence up to the time of the passage of this act; and all records of the town of Andover shall be accessible to the and Real Estate owners of North Andover.

Sect. 8. The said town of North Andover shall remain a part of the town of Andover, for the purpose of electing State officers, Senators and Representatives to the General Court and Representatives to Congress, until the next decennial census shall be taken, or until another apportionment of Representatives to the General Court shall be made. The meetings for the choice of said officers shall be called by the

Selectmen of Andover who shall preside at said meetings; and the Selectmen of North Andover shall make a true list of persons belonging to said town of North Andover qualified to vote at ^{every} such election, and the same shall be taken and used by the Selectmen of Andover, for such election, in the same manner as if it had been prepared by themselves. Such meetings shall be held in the towns of Andover and North Andover respectively, in alternate years, commencing with the town of North Andover

Sect. 9. Any justice of the peace for the county of Essex is hereby authorized to issue his warrant to any principal inhabitant of said town of North Andover, requiring him to warn the inhabitants of said town to meet at the time and place therein appointed, for the purpose of choosing all such town officers as towns are by law authorized and required to choose at their

annual meetings.

Sect. 10. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

In Senate, April 3, 1855.

Passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

P. L. Coy. Clerk

Senate, Mar. 30, Read twice,

rules suspended, and 3d

reading taken and

the printed

Bill placed in Order.

Amended 3d day.

Connelly Brown

For the Senate

For the Senate

C. D.

John F. Clark

C. D. 3d day

House of Reps. April 4, 1855.

Rules suspended and

passed to be engrossed.

Bill to divide the town of Liverpool, and to incorporate the town of North Ludover.

Press & Draft. 5-18.

No. 150

House of Reps. April 4, 1855

Passed to engrossed in concurrence

W. A. Marsh clerk

The Committee on Towns, to whom was referred the petition of Amos Abbott & others of Andover praying for division of said town, and also - the Remonstrances of Nathaniel Stevens & others; of Frederic Voyes & others, and of George L Davis and others, after having given the parties due notice, and a lengthy hearing, and having carefully considered the subject, were unanimous, in opinion that the public good would be promoted by a division of said town.

In territory, Andover contains thirty eight thousand square acres; or sixty square miles; one sixth of the area of the whole County of Essex: The population in 1850 was 6,900; in valuation Andover is the second in Essex County. At present Andover is divided into three parishes, well defined, and of sufficient extent of territory to make two respectable towns.

It appeared in evidence that a large majority of the legal voters in the town were in favor of the division, and also the larger part of the property, by representation, in each section of the town.

There were various considerations presented by the petitioners in advocacy of the Division

the principal one, was the great extent of the territory of the town, rendering it exceedingly inconvenient to the inhabitants of a great portion of the territory to attend to their town business. The Committee were of opinion that the legislature should be cautious and slow in increasing the number of towns in the Commonwealth, unless an exigency actually exists; in the case of Andover, there was no desire manifested by any party to obtain a City-Charter, had they inhabitants enough to entitle them to one, and no prospect of having the requisite number of inhabitants for a great number of years, so that it seemed there was no alternative, the inhabitants must continue to labour under their present and increasing disabilities, or by an act of the Legislature, be partially relieved by the incorporation of a new town.

The Division line asked for was substantially the Parish line. between the North and South Parishes, this would make two towns of respectable size, although unequal in territory, thirteen thousand square acres lying North of said line, and twenty five thousand square acres South of the same, & also in population; South Parish having forty four hundred, and

North Parish about twenty five hundred,
inhabitants, yet the Committee find there
were serious objections to any other line, while
the adoption of the Parish line would secure to the several
school districts their present boundaries untouched.
The Committee therefore report the accom-
panying Bill.

J. D. Black Chairman

Report, on Petition of
Amos Abbott & others,
for division of Andover,
Committee on Towns.

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Andover qualified to vote in town affairs convened at said Andover on the sixth day of March in the year eighteen hundred and fifty four -

The Committee appointed to count the ballots upon the 19th article in the warrant which was reduced to the following proposition viz:- "Is it expedient to divide the Town according to the boundary line between the North and South Parishes or thereabouts?" reported that the whole number of ballots cast was 510. Yeas 408. Nays 102. -

Voted - that Samuel L. Jackson, William Chickering, Marcus Morton Jr. Solomon Holt, John Aiken, Benjamin F. Jenkins and Daniel Carlton be a Committee to appear before the Committee of the Legislature having under consideration the subject of dividing the town of Andover, and in behalf of the town to urge the necessity for such division agreeably to the petition of Amos Abbott and others and also to use their endeavors to procure a section in an act for such division providing for a Board of Commissioners who shall have power to make a just and equitable division of all the property of the town of Andover both real and personal not otherwise provided for, and to adjust all differences arising from the division of said town; making a decision of said Board final

and binding on all parties interested; And the said Committee is hereby further empowered to do any and all matters and things necessary on the part of the town to bring the matter to a speedy and favorable issue.

Voted that the citizens of Andover in Town Meeting now assembled remonstrate and object to the setting off and annexation to the city of Lawrence of that part of the Town embraced in the Merrimac School District so called according to the petition to the Legislature of Horatio Demmitt and others. Also

Voted that the same committee above named be also a Committee whose duty it shall be to carry out the sentiments of the town upon this subject as now expressed and that said Committee be empowered to adopt such measures as they shall deem expedient to effect the object.

A true copy of record.

attest.

Moses Foster Jr.

Town Clerk

Attended Copy of Bate
of the town of Madison
in favor of dividing
said town, & against
setting off Wisconsin
District to Lawrence,
&c.

Witness My. H. 1834.



Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FIVE.

A N A C T

To divide the town of Andover, and to incorporate the town of North Andover

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

SECTION 1. *All that part of the town of Andover in the County of Essex which lies Northerly and Easterly of the following line, viz; beginning on the Easterly bank of the Shawsheene river at a stake at the bend in said river a few rods Westerly of the bridge where it is crossed by the Salem Turnpike, thence Southerly on the line dividing the North and South Parishes of said Andover to a stake and stones by the road and near the house of Benjamin Rogers, thence Southerly on the said Parish line to a stake and stones at the point where the said Parish line crosses the Salem road, East of the house*

of Widow Betsey Jenkins, thence across said Salem road on said Parish line to the town line of North Reading, is hereby incorporated into a separate town by the name of North Andover. And the inhabitants of said town of North Andover are hereby invested with all the powers and privileges, ^{to which} ~~and~~ ~~to which other towns are entitled~~ shall be subject to all the duties and requisitions to which other towns are ~~entitled, and~~ subjected by the Constitution and Laws of this Commonwealth.

Section 2. The inhabitants of said town of North Andover shall be holden to pay all arrears of taxes legally assessed upon them before the passage of this act; and the said town of North Andover shall be holden to pay its proportion of all State and County taxes which the said town of Andover may be required to pay, previous to the taking of the next State valuation; said proportion to be ascertained and determined by the valuation of the town of Andover, next preceding the passage of this act.

And the said town of North Andover is hereby authorized and required to assess ~~such~~ proportion of the State and County taxes required to be raised by the town of Andover, determined and ascertained as aforesaid, upon the polls and

estates of the inhabitants of said North Andover,
and ^{shall} pay the same on demand to the said town
of Andover.

Section 3. The said town of North Andover
shall be holden to pay its proportion of the debts
due, and owing by, and of all liabilities existing
against the town of Andover, at the time of the
passage of this act, and shall be entitled to
receive of the town of Andover, its proportion
of all the corporate property now owned by the
town of Andover, such proportions to be ascer-
-tained and determined by the valuation of the
town of Andover, next preceding the passage of
this act.

Section 4. The said towns of Andover and
North Andover, shall be respectively liable
for the support of all persons who now are,
~~relieved~~, or may hereafter be relieved as pau-
pers, whose settlement was gained by, or derived
from a residence within their respective limits.

Section 5. The Punchard Free School in
Andover, shall be free for all [“]youths[”] resident
in said town of North Andover, in the same
manner as if this act had not been passed,

Section 6. In case the said towns shall disagree, in respect to the division of paupers, town property, town debts, State and County taxes, or any other matters arising from the division of the town of Andover hereby made, the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Essex are hereby authorized to, and shall on application of either town, appoint three disinterested persons to hear the parties and award thereon; and their award or that of any two of them, when accepted by said Court, shall be final.

Section 7. The said town of North Andover shall remain a part of the town of Andover, for the purpose of electing State officers, Senators, and Representatives to the General Court, and Representatives to Congress, until the next decennial census shall be taken, or until another apportionment of Representatives to the General Court shall be made. The meetings for the choice of said officers shall be called by the Selectmen of Andover, and the Selectmen of North Andover shall make a true list of persons belonging to said town of North Andover qualified to vote at every such election, and the same shall be taken

and used by the Selectmen of Andover, for such election, in the same manner as if it had been prepared by themselves. Such meetings shall be held in the towns of Andover and North Andover respectively, in alternate years, commencing with the town of North Andover.

Section 8. Any justice of the peace for the County of Essex is hereby authorized to issue his warrant to any principal inhabitant of said town of North Andover, requiring him to warn the inhabitants of said town to meet at the time and place therein appointed, for the purpose of choosing all such town officers as towns are by law authorized and required to choose at their annual meetings.

Section 9. This act shall take effect from, and after its passage.

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Bill to divide the Town
of Andover and to incorporate
the Town of North Andover.

Decr 7, 1855.
Read & ord 2^d 4p.

" 12th Pending question on
" 14th B. & on table
inlet. Post. B. & on table
15th inlet post, & over, to reconsider
16th reconsidered & recommended

Cornett's name.

For Com. Co.

J. G. O'Neil

Post
Recom.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In Senate, March 30. 1855

The Standing Committee on Towns
to which was ^{re} committed the Petition of
praying

Re Bill for Division of Andover,
and the Incorporation of North Andover

REPORT

the accompanying Bill. in a new Draft.

L. D. Black

Chairman.

Report of Co. on Towns
to whom the bill for Dues
during the Town of Andover
was recommended,

REPORT



The Joint Standing Committee on Towns
on the Petition of Amos Abbott and
Others report the subjoined Order.

Per Order,

L. I. Black Chairman.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

On the Petition of Amos Abbott & Others
praying For a division of the Town of
Andover

Ordered, That the Petitioners cause an attested copy of their
Petition, with this Order thereon, to be served on the Clerk
of the Town of Andover, and pub-
lished twice in the Andover Advertiser
or ~~and~~ said service and first
publication to be

Fourteen days, at least, before the ~~next~~ day of February
that all persons interested, may then appear, and shew cause, if any they have,
why the Prayer of said Petition should not be granted.

In Senate, Jan 17 1855.

Accepted,

Sent down for concurrence.

P. L. Coy, Clerk.

In the House of Representatives, Jan 18 1855.

Concurred.

W. A. Marsh Clerk.

Order of Notice on the Petition of

Donna Abbott

And others for a
Division of the town of Appanoose,

Copy delivered to

J. C. MacMorton

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In Senate, March 15, 1854

Said Standing
The Committee on Towns

to whom was referred the Petition of Amos Abbott
others praying that the town of Andover
may be divided, & the Remonstrance
of Nathaniel Stevens against said
petition

have had the same under consideration, and ask leave to
Report—That the further consideration thereof be
REFERRED to the next General Court.

Which is respectfully submitted, by order of the Com-
mittee.

J. P. Healy, Chairman.

In Senate, *March 17, 1854.*

Read, and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Chas. Calhoun, Clerk.

In House of Representatives, *March 18 1854.*

Concurred

William Stowe Clerk

Andrew Haverly
Sexton

REFERENCE.

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REPORT on Petition of

Three White Men.

Heute March 15. 57. Peace
and Peace in the
Country. —

In Senate Jan 11/55-
Taken from files &
referred to Com. on
Henderson for concurrence.

J. L. Carr, Clerk.
Hog No Jan 12. 1853.
Concurrence
A. M. M.

Other Men

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To the Honorable Senate and House of
Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
in General Court assembled.

Your petitioners, legal voters in the town of
Andover, respectfully represent: that the convenience
of the inhabitants of said town requires a division
of the same by a line now dividing the North and
South parishes, or thereabouts — the North parish
to be set off as a town to be called North Andover,
and the South and West parishes as a town, to be
called Andover; some of the reasons for thus naming
them are the following. The institutions and corporations
are so entitled, that a different division and naming
would create confusion. In the South parish are the
Post Office, Savings Bank, Insurance Office, Theological
Seminary, Bank, Academy, Female Seminary and
Railroad Station, all known and designated as now
belonging to Andover; while those in the North parish
are such as to correspond with the name of North
Andover. The West parish has no institutions or
corporations that would be affected by such division:
and your petitioners pray that an act may be
passed by your honorable body, dividing the
town of Andover as aforesaid.

Andover Feb 1854.

Amos Abbott
Leonard Woods
Edwards A. Park.

David Pliphant

George Foster

Daniel Carleton

Thomas C. Foster

J. L. Taylor.

C. E. Stowe

Jacob Chickering
John Aiken

Marcus Morton Jr.

Sam'l C. Jackson

Nathan Frye

Noth. Swift

F. Cogswell.

Sam'l Farrar

N. W. Allen

Joshua Chandler

Eastman Sanborn

Joshua Ballard

Charles Jones

E2

Putnam Curtis

Hermon Abbott Jr

Saml W Abbott

James A. Abbott

J H Leverance

George A Abbott

W. J. Kimball

C. E. Abbott

J. B. Smith

E. V. Easton

L. Barrows

Nathaniel B Abbott

Henry Dane

Joseph J Pearson

Charles W Hatch

Samuel Merrill

James Holt

Wm C Sonars

Robert Callahan

Henry B. M. A

Frederick Lyman

Frederick (Gould)

Am J. Gould

J. D. Selagg

J. B. Clough

Charles W. Hatt

Wm. Lemon

Albert Abbott

Ezra Hatt

Josh H. Here

Benja Rogers

William Grassie

Wm Stewart Jenkins

Peter French

William Woodbridge

Thomas C. Shattuck

Nathan F. Stott

Abel B. Walker

Wm. Poor

C. F. Pond,

Horace Bodwell

William Bell

Michael W. Lane

Laurence Witterker

Deers Thott

William

William Perkins

Henry Abbot

Marshall Blood

Merrell Richardson

Henry Abbott Jr

Elijah Parker

Thomas Smith

Eben B Tyler

Henry G Kimball

Charles B Stearns

Levio Baker

Daniel Shannon

H. W. Abbot

Moses Putnam

D. C. Heidelein

J. H. Atwood

J. J. Mellett

Moses Foster Jr.

L. J. Merrill

Nicholas Howe

Jos. T. Abbot

L. H. Higgins

Josiah M. Abbott
Percy S. Norton
Hornell N.Y.

Henry Swan

Berg P. Derby

J. W. Barnard

Daniel M. Palmer

Bensⁿ H. Abbott

Wm & Chase

John F. Abbott

H. F. Barnard

J. P. Farnum

John DeSearcy,

Chas Goodhue

Mathew Cully

Jonathan Waldo

S. D. Abbot

J. G. Vailpay

Charles May

Wm B. Swift

Samuel O. Blunt

Josiah F. Abbott

Franklin Heard

Hiram Foster

Joshua Chour

William S Foster
 Prof Dewette

Edward C Upton
 John L Abbott
 John S Farnum
 Samuel C. Frye
 Joseph Richardson

Timothy P Holt
 J E Mayberry
 C. S. Morse

Erastus Gile
 Ames F Carleton
 Moody's Russell

Thomas Clark
 Joseph Eaton
 Isaac H Berry
 John C. Morse

Robert Bell
 David Higgins
 John Bushfield
 Thomas Standing
 John Parnell

Asa W. Brown

Asa W. Brown

Joseph Brown

James Noon

David M. Boynton

James G. Hunter

William Anderson

William Harper

Samuel Livingston

William Mease

Barney McInroe

Walter Murry

H. W. French

H. P. Chandler

Jacob Cascomb

James. Abbott.

Horace Lewis

Daniel S. Bullard

Jail Phelps

J. H. Manning

Isaac Goldsmith jun

James S. Eaton

Mark Korman^d

Joseph Whipple

Handwritten text, possibly "Lander Cult", written in cursive script. The text is partially obscured by two red wax seals and a red wax seal on the left edge.

Esac. G. Blunt E5

David Polans

Charles E. Frost

Wm. H. Burtt

Mc Barran

Thomas Barron

John E. Farnham

Richard Fifth

Arthur P. Bean

Samuel Davis

J. R. Elwale

A. E. Lovell

P. F. Pillsbury

William Buty

Arch^d Scott

Andrew Morrison

Gilman Davis

E. Warren

Thomas B. Poor

James Coggers

Daniel Poor

Edward Burditt

John Gouney 23

Job Abbot
Milton Moon

Jedediah Burtt

Patrick Dailey

H. S. Greene

Abel Frost

George H. Chandler

Moses May

Asa Southwick

Samuel Southwick

Nathan Chandler

Joshua Armitage

Robert M. Clements

James Rhodes

Robert Lott

John Pickersyle

George A. Burtt

Stephen Abbott

Henry Mason

George B Woodbridge

Osgood Woodbridge

Samuel D Woodbridge

Edward. Mason.

Orlin Merrill

Leonard Fardwell

William O Woodbridge

John B. Abbott

Geo. Hatch

Jesse Harnden

Matthew Stewart

John B. Kourse

Capt J Kourse

Josiah M. Abbott

Rufus S. Barton

Horace Holt

Benj. F. Carlton

Gorge Smith
Charles C. Grant
Chas. E. Putnam
Africa Putnam
James Harwarth
John Harding
Simon F. Tuck
Samuel Peabody
Joseph Rice
James H. Cochrane
B. F. Wardwell
William Chickering
John Stokes
Albert H. Perkins
Wm O. Stark
Seth Webber
Nathan Abbot
John R. Shattuck
W. L. Draper
Martin Draper, Jr.
Wm. H. Foster.

Wm. C. Foster.

Patrick Gorman

David Sage

Michael Wensker

George Wishart

Charles Hugner

T. A. Holl

G. Gleason

Horace Wilson

B. D. Thompson

O. P. Omeny

John Swift

John Cornell

Joseph Abbott

Joseph H. Clark

W. C. Gowen

Nathaniel Went

C. Parker

Charles S. Parker

W. V. Mullett

W. Pike

J. E. Abbott

H. Putney

Wm Abbott D

Isaac Jenkins

John R. Loring

Thos. Grosvenor

Abiel Russell

Kimball Carlton

Thomas Holt

Wm Peirce

Sam Gray

Burnham White

Wm Rice

J. S. Gill

Wm Fullinwider

D Bliss

Wm H. Carlton

E. S. McKittrick

Michael Rowley

Alfred Smart

James Saunders

Michael Grimley

James Bayes Simon

Amos Abbott 2nd

Wm B. Caldwell

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled -
 The undersigned, legal voters living in the North Parish of Andover in the County of Essex, believing that the convenience of all the citizens of the town would be subserved and their best interests promoted by a division of the Town into two separate municipalities, respectfully petition your Honorable Bodies to divide the said Town by the old Parish line between the North & South Parishes; and as in duty bound will ever pray.
 North Andover, Mar. 19th 1855 -

Yeshu Sargent
 Henry Spofford
 John Elliot
 Hiram Harey
 James Booth
 George Sargent
 L. Sawyer
 Wm. Cotting
 Edwin Dunforth
 H. C. Eastman
 William P. C. Ellis
 Nathaniel Standish

Gayton P. Osgood
 Henry Osgood
 Nathl. Stevens
 Stephen H. Parkes
 Nathaniel Burkes
 Jacob Berry
 Nathaniel Berry
 Joseph Farnham
 Geo. W. Gould
 Isaac Stevens
 Farnham Spofford
 Moses L. Stevens

William Moore
 Eva Worthy Sargent
 Joseph Master
 S. G. Bean
 Elbridge Kimball
 Charles C. Kitchik
 John F. Lord
 Charles B. Mullett
 Ben^g C. Johnson
 Isaac Johnson
 James Chamberlain
 Charles W. Duran
 John B. Hoodbury
 Charles Marton
 Jonathan Wallwork
 Arrio B. Ellis
 James Collins
 Jesse Barnford
 John Rockie
 Thomas Stott
 Eben Sterens
 Jacob W. Morfs
 Abraham Sutcliffe
 William Platt
 W^m Hubbard
 Charles Turner

Cabl Abbott
 William Hubbard & S
 William Reid
 John Wallwork
 William Brown
 George H. Parker
 Charles Sanders
 David I. Irving
 Ben^g C. Johnson
 Ezra Clark
 Asa Kimball
 Granville Bradley
 Jonathan Bradley
 Nathaniel Gage
 Hermon H. Gage
 John Gage
 John C. Gage
 Barnet Linn
 Daniel K. Gage
 Samuel Wood
 Jacob W. Barker
 John Barker
 Isaac Ellis
 Wm H. Cole
 Ezekiel Newby
 Wm A. Felman

Harvards Jenkins
 Geo & White
 J A Barnard.
 John Oldmans
 John A Blunt
 John K Blunt
 Eben Needham
 A P Fuller
 Levi Farnham
 Gayton & Reynolds
 James Meader
 Samuel Jenkins
 Charles W Foster
 Amos Hunt
 Phineas Sester
 Cha Bruckley
 Horace Mason
 Joseph Corleton
 James Neason
 Dane Foster
 Daniel Mahoney
 A. P. Carleton
 Nicholas Tuttle
 J. B. Taylor
 Eben Fish
 Thomas Clegg
 Moses P Butby

T. J. Wardwell
 John Buachmore
 Benj Stevens
 Amos C Merrill
 Simon Flanders
 Bradford Barden
 Edmund Barker
 David Bailey
 Edmund Bruley
 Alford Farmer
 Abraham Kimball
 Patrick Cother
 Ansil Pebody
 Timothy Abbott
 Matt Peter
 Jedediah H. Barber
 Benja F. Jenkins
 Berry H Stoddley
 Ed Swan
 J A Montgomery
 Sam Smith
 Orlando Abbott
 John G Johnson
 Jo Averill
 Orrin Kempton
 Isaac Farnham
 John Park

Samuel M. Barker
 J Prescott Foster
 Samuel B. Hill
 Isaac M. Stevens
 Seth S Chase
 Charles Kepruc
 Henry Phelps
 D. D.
 James Parker
 John F. Stevens
 John F. Hopkins
 James Brainerd
 Daniel S. Glaze
 Dustin B Pollard
 Peter Holt
 Henry Peabody
 Charles F Johnson
 George F Ingalls
 William Ingalls
 Willard Russell
 Jacob Farnum
 Jacob L Farnum
 Charles H Hadley
 John Towne
 Henry Gray
 Jos B Faulkner

Samuel F. Barker
 Andrew J. Barker
 Jefferson Farmer
 John V Carr
 Wm F. Farnham
 Elm. Fish Jr
 John Fish
 Samuel Evans
 John Johnson
 Joseph Averill Jr
 Isaac Fish
 Charles S. Foster
 Maximilian Towne
 Augustus Fish
 Charles W Fish
 Moses Towne
 Partick Burk
 Benj. Benj
 Maxim Goodhue
 John J. Foster
 Levi Goodhue
 George Stevens
 Wm B Reynolds
 R. B. Jordan
 Henry Berry
 Jos B Pease

Petition of Gaulton P. Beeson
and one hundred and eighty
five others, legal voters of
the North Parish of Andover,
for a Division of the Town
of Andover.

By Amos Black of Doory,
at Andover, Mass. 28/1838,
Ref. to Com. on Towns.
Send claim for concurrence.

O. W. Lee, Clerk

To Report Dec. 29. 33.
Concurred

W. A. Merrill Clerk

Acts – 1855, Chap. 150

Remonstrances

Passed Acts. SC1/229. Massachusetts Archives. Boston, Massachusetts

Acts – 1855, Chap. 150 (Act to Divide The Town of Andover, And To Incorporate The Town of North Andover). Approved April 7, 1855.

To the Legislature of the Commonwealth
of Massachusetts.

Whereas, the Committee on Towns of the Legislature
of this Commonwealth, have notified the Town of
Andover that on the 19th of Feb. ^{next} ~~next~~ they
shall consider the Petition of Amos Abbott and
others, to Divide the Town by the line separating
the North and South Parishes, setting off the
North Parish as a Town by itself.

We the undersigned, legal voters within
the limits of the West Parish in said Andover,
would respectfully remonstrate against the
division because we believe the whole Town
would suffer by the separation and the division
of their common rights in property.

Joseph Shattuck
Nathan Shattuck
Nathan Bailey
Timothy Bailey
Timothy P. Bailey
Artemas Kenell
Stephen Hardy
Charles French
Rodrick Bailey

Frederick Noyes
Frederick Noyes Jr.
David McClary
David Abbott
Stephen Loring
John M. Bailey
Levi Ford
John J. Bailey
Joseph Bailey

Samuel Bailey 2d
 Horace Hammond
 S G Bailey
 Simeon Hardy
 George Boutwell Jr.
 William Hardy
 George Boutwell
 Edward Boutwell
 Russel Tilton
 Levi M. Bear
 Wm Bailey
 Joshua H. Bailey
 Almon P. Abbott
 Jacob Barnard
 Schenck Abbott
 Aaron N. Luskomb
 Enoch D. Stevens
 Levi York
 Artemas Hardy
 Alfred Hardy
 Justus B. Bailey
 Timothy Bailey
 John W. Hunt
 Warren Bailey

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Memorandum from
The West Bank Authorities

To the Honorable Senate
and House of Representatives
of Massachusetts, in General Court assembled.

We the undersigned, legal voters in the town
of Andover, respectfully remonstrate against
the petition, (now before the Legislature,) of
Amos Abbott and others for a division of
the town of Andover.

Andover. March 7th. 1854.

Names

Nathl. Stevens
Wm. Johnson
Geo. N. White
Ben M. Hodges
Moody Bridges
Horace Mason
Geo French
C. A. Buttifield
John H. Blunt
G. W. Rixtrau
Phineas Lester
Charles P. Bailey
Otis Bailey
Francis C. Williams.

Names.

Josiah Crosby
J. G. Russell
James M. Donald
Bailey Loring
Moses T. Stevens
Nath. Berry
J. Prescott Foster
Dustin B. Pollard
Geo. W. Gould
John Foster
Warren Stevens
Joseph Sizer
Jos. R. Allen
Russell B. Jordan
John Kittredge

Thomas W Kimball
Nath Peters
Wm Batchelder
Samuel W Johnson
Joseph Farnham
Theron Johnson
John Plummer Foster
Wm. & Ingalls
F. Hodges.
Edmund Davis
Charles Furler
Jos P Blake
Chandler Smith
Abel Sargent.
E. G. Manning
J M Richardson
J A Wiley
John Wall
Abigail Abbott
John T Shattuck
E M Hull
A Loring
C. J. Richards
J Ladd
B. J. P. Saunders

Jefferson Larnum
Wm Frost
J A Montgomery
Wm Peters
S. O. Loring
Isaac Wilson
James Stevens
Lus. Hodges
S. H. Parker
A. P. Cheney
Wm S. Coudery
Wm Houghton
Jos C^r Taylor
Theodore Goodwin
A. B. Osgood
Thomas C. Faye
William Halliday
Henry Elvey
John Clark
Horatio Dennett
Leverett S. Peck
Wm Gaycock
S. J. Peck
Edward W. Stone
Rev L Davis

Remonstrance of
Charles Adams & others,
legal voters of the Town
of Andover, Es. against
the Petition of Henry
Adams and others, respec-
ting the a division of
said Town of Andover

Done at Andover 8th
1834

Respectfully
the Ward of the

Ref'd to Com. on Towns.

and sworn for the same

James Adams, Clerk, Andover, M.

House of Reps Mar 9/34
Concord
William State Pl

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To the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Whereas the Committee, on Towns, of the Legislature of this Commonwealth have ^{given notice} ~~notified~~ ~~our Selectmen~~ that on the 19th of Feb. ^{instans} ~~except~~ they shall consider the Petition of Amos Abbott and others to Divide the Town of Andover - setting off the North Parish as a Town by itself.

We the undersigned, legal voters within the limits of said Parish, enter our Protest against such a Division for the following reasons

- 1 Such a Division would operate against the Educational interests of said Parish depriving its children of the privileges of the Punchard free school and of the Phillips Donation.
- 2 Because the present arrangement of the Town for the support of its poor cannot be divided without pecuniary sacrifice to the North Parish.
- 3 Because there are miles of Turnpike Road now supported by the Town, that in case of Division would become an exclusive expense to the N. Parish.
- 4 Because the proposed division would be placing in the hands of a majority of a Town, the power to cast off a section of its inhabitants without their consent, a precedent no Legislature would

consider just or honorable.

5 Because Andover has existed as a Town more than 200 years, and with less, perhaps, than the ordinary trials of similar corporations, has known how good it is to dwell together in unity

Names

Geo L Davis

L H Parker

W. M. Demmett

William Moody

Geo L Greenleaf

John Clark

Jos W Taylor

A. B. Osgood.

J W Richardson

Woodbury Smith

Bradford C Smith

William Moore

E. G. Manning

John S Shattuck

J A Wiley

Wm S Cowdery

Wm Hoarston

Names

William Halliday

Henry Furber

Henry Avery

J E Foye

Abiathan Abbott

Joseph Ladd

Wm Laycock

John B. Cook

L S Parley

A. Whiney

S. M. Magill

Wm Keniston

Wm Catting

Wall C Eastman

Amos Newbury

Rev. E. Davis

Edmund Davis
Edward Quay
Peter Holihan
Daniel McEighan
Richard Kirwin
James R. Chandler
James Brierley
John Gile
Wm H. Campbell
James B. Taylor
David Brinley
Edward Kershaw
John Fitzgerald
Samuel Kershaw
William McNamara
Edmund Brinley
D. Hodge
A. Kimball
Asa Anger
A. C. Sargent
Geo. Houghton
True Worthy Sargent
Barclay Lane
Phillip Sargent
George W. Parker
William Cutler

James C. Carlton
Alfred Farmer
Isaac C. Sargent
Edwin Sawforth
Samuel G. Bean
Benjamin T. Saunders
H. L. Munton
Charles Rexton
Charles B. Mullett
John Pike
William Smith
Thomas Bion
C. McDaniel
Charles Sander
William Hubbard
Charles Turner
Isaac Johnson
William Dietz
Joseph Masten
John Mackin
Thomas Stott
Wm H. Cole
William Brown
George Miller
Charles Furber

Henry Osgood
 B. Dodge
 Josiah Crosby
 James Stevens
 Oles Bailey
 John Kittredge
 Moses J. Stevens -
 M. Bridges
 Warren Stevens
 Wm. Batchelder
 Wm. Johnson Jr
 Moses Foster
 Levi Swannham
 Geo W Gould
 Horace Mason
 John Foster
 Samuel Lewis
 John Adams
 Wm. V. Briggs
 James P. McDonald
 F. P. Hammonford
 Benjamin H. Stoddy
 Joseph Farrisham
 Geo. N. White
 Wm. A. Gilman

C. P. Squitt
 Geo French
 Samuel B. Will
 Moses W. Kimball
 John A. Blunt
 J. F. Allen
 Joseph Kittredge
 Hiram Berry
 B. M. Hodges
 Wm. Kimball
 Joseph B. Swan
 A. P. Carleton
 Isaac Wilson
 Wm. Peters
 Ward Noyes
 Charles A. Battaglia
 C. P. Bailey
 Wm. Groat
 L. S. Jewett
 Daniel Stevens
 Ellen Needham
 S. Furbur
 S. O. Loring
 Sharon Johnson
 Dustin B. Pollard
 Francis C. Williams
 Charles Barnes
 James Leighton
 J. P. Smith

Amos Hunt
Johna- H. Fish
George Bradley
Simon Flanders
Enoch Bailey
Peter Osgood
Nath^l Berry
M^{rs} F. Farnham
John Fish
B. F. Kimball
H. G. Bridges
Geo. French

Russell B. Jordans
Peter Holt
Kurt A. Phelps
Phineas Foster
Ephraim Stevens
Henry Wood
Herman Berry
Benj. Fish
William F. Mow
Wm. D. Lusk
John Killeen
C. P. Jaquith

Farnham Spofford
Wane Foster
Joseph Carleton
Richard Carleton
Isaac Foster
John L. Foster
Gayton Reynolds
John Reynolds
John F. Carleton
Sam^l Jenkins
James Mason
Charles W^m Foster
Henry Spofford
Orin Spofford

David P. Herriman
Corno Ellis
E. G. Kimball
A. P. Ellis
Goth Chase
Thomas Clegg
James Booth
S. H. Johnson
Samuel F. Barker

Names
Samuel F. Barker
Jefferson Farmer
Samuel K. Johnson
Samuel M. Barker
Andrew J. Barker

Names
Hiram Hardy
James Montgomery^{A4}
John Barker
John Tetherly
Hiram Hardy

Names
Daniel Rea
Chas. Frazier
William Tucker
George W. Tucker
Samuel Benjamin
C. A. Allen
Wm. A. Stiles
John Town
Moses Town
Jesse Burrows
Amos C. Merrill
John C. Foster

Nathaniel Foster
Harmon Towne
Henry Seabody
Jesse Kimball
Joseph Avell
Elijah Gould
William Long
John Collier
Charles F. Johnson
William Ingalls
Joseph Swan
Thomas J. Wardwell
Benjamin Berry
Joseph P. Blake

Names
Levi Goodhue
William Goodhue 2
Amos Goodhue
Joseph Bell
Benja O. Gray
Benja Gray
Daniel Stiles
Elbridge C. Faulkner
William Goodhue
Moses Goodhue
Albert Berry
Jacob Berry

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Memorandum to the Hon. the Legislature of Massachusetts
against the Petition of Amos Abbott and others for a Division
of the Town of Andover. Presented by Mr Carlton of
Andover. Recd of Reps Feb 17 1833

Ref'd to the Committee on Towns.

In Senate, Feb. 19, 1833.

Concurred. P. L. Gov Clerk

Sent up for concurrence. H. A. Marsh Clerk